

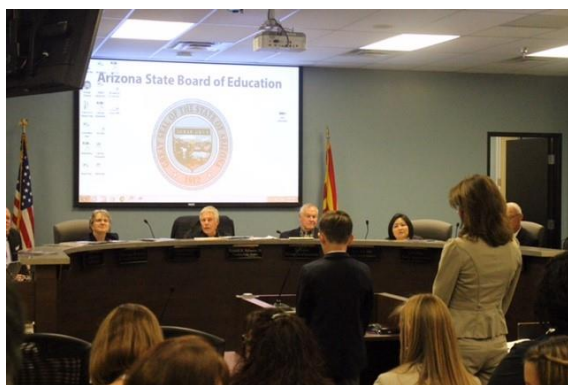


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Rep. Jill Norgaard Applauds Launch of AZ Department of Education Dyslexia Handbook *AZ Joins Several States as Pioneers of New Solutions for Dyslexia Identification*



STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – Representative Jill Norgaard (R-18) today applauded the [Arizona Department of Education](#) (ADE) for releasing the [Dyslexia handbook](#), a new resource for parents and teachers to identify and support students with dyslexia.

This handbook is a result of [HB 2202](#), legislation sponsored by Rep. Norgaard that received overwhelming bipartisan support at the Arizona Legislature and tremendous acclaim from education groups, educators, and parents across the state.

“This dyslexia handbook represents a giant leap toward closing the achievement gap for Arizona students by increasing the resources available for families and teachers to decode dyslexia,” said Representative Norgaard. **“I am grateful to be part of such a dedicated team over the past nine months to assemble this handbook, and I look forward to eventually working toward a pilot program to have Arizona become the first state to decode dyslexia in preschool.”**

This handbook was established through the Arizona Department of Education and created under the supervision of the State Board of Education. It will provide guidelines for parents and teachers to identify dyslexia, educational strategies to improve academic performance of students with dyslexia, and available services and resources to students with dyslexia.

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